

Internet Acceptable Use Policy

Internet access is available to students and teachers in Marshall District #C-2. The Internet enables worldwide connection to electronic mail, discussion groups, databases, shareware software, and other informational sources such as libraries and museums. Marshall District #C-2 provides Internet access to promote educational excellence and engaged learning in the district's schools by facilitating resource sharing, problem solving, innovation and communication.

Philosophy

- *Risk.*

It is impossible to control all materials on the Internet. Sites accessible via the Internet may contain material that is illegal, defamatory, inaccurate or controversial. With global access to computers and people, there is a risk that students may access material that may not be considered to be of educational value in the context of the school setting.

- *Users responsible.*

Internet users, like traditional library users, are responsible for their actions in accessing available resources.

- *Mandatory workshop.*

Mandatory workshop completion is required before Internet access is granted to any faculty, staff, student or parent. The purpose of the workshop is to educate users on proper Internet conduct. This policy outlines general responsibilities that are acquired with Internet access.

Internet - Terms and Conditions

- *Acceptable Use.*

Marshall District #C-2's Internet access may be used to improve learning and teaching consistent with the educational mission of the district. Marshall District #C-2 expects legal, ethical and efficient use of the Internet.

- *Privilege.*

Use of the Marshall District #C-2 Internet access is a privilege, not a right.

- *Voluntary.*

Use of the Marshall District #C-2 Internet access is voluntary on the part of the student or teacher.

- *Subject to system administration.*

All Marshall District #C-2 Internet access is subject to system administrator perusal for virus scanning or inappropriate use investigation.

- *Inappropriate Use.*

Inappropriate use includes, but is not limited to intentional uses that violate the law, that are specifically named as violations in this document, that violate the rules enumerated in the Marshall District #C-2 Student Handbooks or any other use that hampers the integrity or security of the district's computer network or any computer networks connected to the Internet.

- *Violation of law.*

Transmission of any material in violation of any international, United States or state law is prohibited. This includes, but is not limited to: copyrighted material and threatening, harassing or obscene material. Any violations of the law through the use of the Marshall District #C-2 Internet access may result in disciplinary action or litigation against the offender by the proper authorities.

- *Commercial use.*

Use for commercial, income-generating, "for-profit" activities or product advertisement is prohibited. Sending unsolicited junk e-mail or chain e-mail letters is prohibited.

- *Vandalism/Mischief.*

Vandalism and mischief while using the Marshall District #C-2 Internet access is prohibited. Vandalism is defined as any malicious attempt to harm or destroy data of another user, the Internet or any networks that are connected to the Internet. This includes, but is not limited to, the creation or propagation of a computer virus. Any interference with the work of other users, with or without malicious intent, is construed as mischief and is strictly prohibited.

- *User sharing.*

Once access has been granted to the Marshall District #C-2 Internet, the user is responsible for all actions taken while on the Internet. Sharing of Internet access is not permitted.

- *Electronic Mail.*

Forgery of electronic mail messages is prohibited. Reading, deleting, copying, or modifying the electronic mail of other users is prohibited.

- *File/Data violations.*

Deletion, examination, copying or modification of files and/or data belonging to other users is prohibited.

- *Downloading.*

Downloading of any files onto District #C-2 computers is prohibited.

Consequences of Policy Violation(s).

A violation of the provisions of this policy may result in revocation of the user's Internet access privileges and/or e-mail account, regardless of the success or failure of the attempt. In addition, school disciplinary action, including suspension or expulsion, and/or appropriate legal action may be taken.

- *Initial determination.*

The school administrators, with the assistance of the teacher, will make the initial determination of any policy violation.

- *Due process.*

Violators will be accorded due process rights in the determination of possible violations and consequences.

- *Denial, revocation, or suspension of Internet Access.*

The school administrator, in accordance with the Marshall District #C-2 disciplinary procedures, may deny, revoke, or suspend any Internet access as deemed necessary.

Disclaimer

Marshall District #C-2 makes no warranties of any kind, whether expressed or implied, for the service it is providing. Marshall District #C-2 will not be responsible for any damages suffered by users. This includes loss of data resulting in delays, nondeliveries, mis-deliveries, or service interruptions caused by its own negligence or user errors or omissions. Marshall District #C-2 is not responsible for phone/credit card bills or any other charges incurred by users. Use of any information obtained via the Internet is at the user's own risk. Marshall District #C-2 specifically denies any responsibility for the accuracy or quality of information obtained through its services.

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